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MINUTES OF TELEPHONIC MEETING

January 31, 2012

7:30 a.m.

1400 West Washington
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1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular session of the Arizona State Board of Psychologist Examiners Application Review Committee was called to order by Dr. Mellott at 7:35 a.m. on January 31, 2012. No Executive Sessions were held.

2. ROLL CALL

Committee Members Participating by Telephone

Ramona N. Mellott, Ph.D. – Chair

Bob Bohanske, Ph.D.

Staff Present

Cindy Olvey, Psy.D., - Executive Director

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3. DISCUSSION DECISION REGARDING APPROVAL OF PSYCHOLOGY APPLICANTS

Requesting Approval to Sit for Examination (EPPP) Only

Kimberly Bernazzani, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Bernazzani's application and subsequent submissions. The Committee reviewed Dr. Bernazzani's subsequent Supervised Internship Experience Verification form from Marana Unified School District and Dr. Berkman's explanation regarding additional supervision weeks not previously included in the original Supervised Internship Experience Verification form. Upon review, the Committee noted that Dr. Berkman indicated that Dr. Bernazzani completed a total of 1,500 internship experience hours. Upon reviewing her subsequent calculations, it was noted that Dr. Bernazzani accumulated a total of 360 direct client contact hours. Committee members noted that

at this time Dr. Bernazzani remains deficient in direct client contact hours for her supervised internship which does not fulfill the requirements of A.R.S. § 32-2071(F)(5).

Dr. Bohanske made a motion, seconded by Dr. Mellott, to issue a SRAID letter to Kimberly Bernazzani, Psy.D. regarding the deficiencies as discussed in her application. The motion carried (2-0).

Requesting Approval to sit for Examination (EPPP) & Licensure

Laura Brookham, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Brookham's application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Brookham's application to the full Board for approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Darren Calhoun, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Calhoun's application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Calhoun's application to the full Board for approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Nancy Hagener, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Hagener's application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Hagener's application to the full Board for approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Julie Landry Poole, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Landry Poole's application and subsequent submissions. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Landry Poole's application to the full Board for approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Ricardo Mendivil, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Mendivil's re-application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Mendivil's application to the full Board for approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Michael Moore, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Moore's application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Moore's application to the full Board for approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Michael Shapiro, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Shapiro's application and subsequent submissions. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Shapiro's application to the full Board for approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Michael Wagner, Ph.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Wagner's re-application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were

complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Wagner's application to the full Board for approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Jamie Whalen, Psy.D. – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Whalen's application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Whalen's application to the full Board for approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Dr. Bohanske made a motion, seconded by Dr. Mellott, to forward the applications of Laura Brookham, Psy.D., Darren Calhoun, Ph.D., Nancy Hagener, Psy.D., Julie Landry Poole, Psy.D., Ricardo Mendivil, Psy.D., Michael Moore, Ph.D., Michael Shapiro, Ph.D., Michael Wagner, Ph.D. and Jamie Whalen, Psy.D., to the full Board for review and approval to take the EPPP and licensure upon a passing score and payment of the pro-rated licensure fee. The motion carried (2-0).

Requesting Approval of Licensure by Waiver

Bhupin Butaney, Ph.D. – Dr. Bohanske recused himself from this item, and therefore the matter was moved by the Committee to the full Board for review and approval due to lack of a quorum.

Phillip Gable, Ph.D. - Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Gable's application. Upon review, the Committee noted that on Dr. Gable's Supervised Psychology Internship or Training Experience Verification form, his supervisor, Dr. Showalter, indicated that Dr. Gable accrued 2,623 hours of internship experience at Walter Reed Army Medical Center from October 2009 – October 2010. Pursuant to A.R.S. §32-2071(H) "In meeting the supervised preinternship professional experience as described in subsection E and the supervised professional experience as described in subsections F and G, an applicant shall not receive credit for more than forty hours of experience per week." Based upon this statute, only 2,080 hours of Dr. Gable's internship can be accepted towards the supervision required for licensure. In addition, Dr. Gable submitted 504 practicum hours. The total number of allowable internship hours (2080) plus 504 practicum hours' totals 2,584 supervised hours towards licensure. The Committee noted that at this time, Dr. Gable remains 416 hours short of the required 3,000 hours to become licensed. The Committee requested that Dr. Gable submit clarification regarding his Supervised Psychology Internship or Training Experience in order to fulfill the requirements of A.R.S. § 32-2071(D) and gain licensure in the state of Arizona.

Wendy Nickerson, Psy.D. - Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Nickerson's application. Upon review, the Committee noted that on Dr. Nickerson's Postdoctoral Professional Psychology Experience Verification form from Wuesthoff Hospital, her supervisor, Dr. Shuy, indicated that Dr. Nickerson completed a total of 1,520 postdoctoral experience hours. Upon reviewing the subsequent calculations, it was noted that Dr. Nickerson accumulated a total of "38+ (plus 38+ in group context, face-to-face" of face to face supervision. The Committee that at this time Dr. Nickerson remains deficient in the total number of individual, face to face supervision hours for her postdoctoral professional psychology experience which does not fulfill the requirements of A.R.S. § 32-2071(G)(5). The Committee requested that Dr. Nickerson submit clarification regarding her Postdoctoral Professional Psychology Experience in order to fulfill the requirements of A.R.S. §32-2071(G)(5) and gain licensure in the state of Arizona.

Sherry Spurling, Ph.D. - Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Spurling's application and subsequent submissions. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the

consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Spurling's application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

April Wiechmann, Ph.D. - Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Wiechmann's application and subsequent submissions. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Wiechmann's application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Dr. Bohanske made a motion, seconded by Dr. Mellott, to forward the application of Sherry Spurling, Ph.D. and April Wiechmann, Ph.D. to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon the receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee and to issue a RAID letter to Phillip Gable, Ph.D. and Wendy Nickerson, Psy.D. regarding the deficiencies as discussed in their application. The motion carried (2-0).

Requesting Approval of Supervised Professional Experience Hours and Licensure

Gretchen Schoenfield, Ph.D. - Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Schoenfield's postdoctoral experience forms. Upon review of Dr. Schoenfield's Postdoctoral Professional Psychology Experience Verification form from Neuropsychology Ltd the Committee noted that her supervisor, Dr. Biggan, indicated that Dr. Schoenfield completed a total of 1,531 postdoctoral experience hours. Upon reviewing the subsequent calculations, it was noted that Dr. Schoenfield accumulated a total of 338.75 direct client contact hours. The Committee noted that at this time, Dr. Schoenfield remains 261.25 hours deficient in direct client contact hours for her postdoctoral professional psychology experience which does not fulfill the requirements of A.R.S. § 32-2071(G)(5). The Committee requested that Dr. Schoenfield submit clarification regarding her Postdoctoral Professional Psychology Experience in order to fulfill the requirements of A.R.S. §32-2071(G)(5).

Dr. Bohanske made a motion, seconded by Dr. Mellott, to issue a RAID letter to Gretchen Schoenfield, Ph.D. regarding the deficiencies as discussed in her application. The motion carried (2-0).

Requesting Approval for Licensure by Credential

Mark Fleming, Ph.D., NRHSPP - Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Fleming's application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Fleming's application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Robert Meier, Ph.D., NRHSPP - Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Dr. Meier's application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes and rules. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Dr. Meier's application to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Dr. Bohanske made a motion, seconded by Dr. Mellott, to forward the applications of Mark Fleming, Ph.D., NRHSPP and Robert Meier, Ph.D., NRHSPP, to the full Board for review and approval and licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated fee. The motion carried (2-0).

4. DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING APPROVAL OF BEHAVIOR ANALYST APPLICANTS

Requesting Approval of Behavior Analyst Licensure by Experience:

Beatriz Conti, M.Ed., BCBA – Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Ms. Conti's application. Upon review, the Committee noted that the materials submitted were complete and fulfilled the requirements of statutes. It was the consensus of the Committee to move Ms. Conti's application forward to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee.

Erin Rourke, MBA, BCBA - Committee members proceeded with a substantive review of Ms. Rourke's application. Upon review the Committee noted that on Ms. Rourke's Supervised Work Experience or Independent Fieldwork Verification form completed by her supervisor Amy Jamba, BCBA, it was noted that supervision occurred January 4, 2010 - February 25, 2011. The Committee noted that Ms. Jamba is not a licensed behavior analyst. The Committee considered Ms. Rourke's request for an exemption pursuant to A.R.S. §32-2091.03(F) and is requesting further clarification regarding Ms. Jamba's education, training and experience in order to determine if she meets the requirements to provide supervision acceptable for behavior analyst licensure. The Committee is requesting that Ms. Jamba's official transcript, curriculum vitae and verification of her certification be provided. The Committee voted that once the Board office receives the above referenced documents then Ms. Rourke's application will be forwarded to the full Board with a recommendation for approval.

Dr. Bohanske made a motion, seconded by Dr. Mellott, to forward the application of Beatriz Conti, M.Ed., BCBA to the full Board for review and approval of licensure upon the receipt of the pro-rated licensure fee and to issue a RAID letter to Erin Rourke, MBA, BCBA regarding the deficiencies as discussed in her application and that once the Board office receives the additional documents then her application will be forwarded to the full Board with a recommendation for approval. The motion carried (2-0).

5. NEW AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

Dr. Mellott requested that the Board address and possibly make changes to the postdoctoral experience form used in the application for licensure as a psychologist.

6. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Dr. Bohanske made a motion, seconded by Dr. Mellott, to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 a.m.

Ramona N. Mellott, Ph.D. - Chair
Application Review Committee